



WINCANTON TOWN COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 24TH JUNE 2019 IN THE TOWN HALL

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC: Two

MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL PRESS: None

PROPER OFFICER IN ATTENDANCE: Muriel Cairns, Deputy Town Clerk.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Councillors Shelbourn Barrow (Madam Chair), Cook (Vice-Chairman), Hinks, Old, Walters, Smith, Galitzine, Eadington, Thomas, Tudgay and Vagg.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR: County Councillor Groskop.

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS: Councillor Winder.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Two members from CATCH attended the meeting to discuss with the Council fishing rights and permits at the River Cale, after a lengthy discussion the CATCH members informed Council they would like to hold an informative River/Wildlife Day event at Cale Park.

0590 APOLOGIES

Councillors Greening, McLarnon, Rodgers and Hearne.

0591 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

0592 POLICE REPORT

Council noted the Police Report.

0593 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Monday 10th June 2019 (minutes 0579-0589). On a proposal from Councillor Hinks, seconded by Councillor Tudgay, the minutes were approved and signed by Madam Chair.

0594 PLANNING:

Application recommended for approval

There were no planning applications.

Applications approved by South Somerset District Council

None.

Councillor Cook is unable to attend the Full Council meeting on 22nd July 2019, Councillor Thomas has offered to take on the role of Deputy Planning Officer.

0595 VERBAL REPORTS AND FEEDBACK

County Councillor

Councillor Groskop mentioned the Consultation on possible introduction of Parking Restrictions relating to Mill Street and asked that Council consult with the two district Councillors. Gritting will continue and West Hill has been added to list. If Council think of any other areas that need gritting in and around Wincanton can they contact Highways Department by end of June.

South Somerset District Councillors

District Councillor Colbert congratulated Council on the recent elections. There are two more retailers interested in coming to the Long Close site. He talked about his concerns regarding the planning voting system at District Council relating to applications for 10 dwellings and over; and the Wincanton Regeneration Consultants Report. He is pleased that Area East Committee awarded the Town Council a grant towards new Skate Park. Councillor Colbert also mentioned that if there are strong opinions to planning then public and councillors should contact him and Councillor Winder.

District Councillor Winder mentioned lack of enforcement in area and the acute shortage in planning officers leading to planning applications going over time, complaints from general public, developers and agents. An event will be taking place in August at the Memorial Hall regarding The Local Plan. He also mentioned the District Achievement Report.

Chairman of the Council

Councillor Shelbourn Barrow opened two new shops in town, and attended several functions in and around the town - Football Tournament at Sports Ground, Glorious Somerset Gardens 2019, in support of St Margaret's Hospice Care which was held at Carrington House, laying poppy wreath at the Remembering Old Faithful Commemoration Service at the War Memorial in Wincanton.

Council representatives to outside bodies

Councillor Hinks attended a Museum meeting.

Councillor Vagg mentioned Ideal Climate Emergency a new group that has been set up in town.

0596 CHEQUE LIST

On a proposal from Councillor Smith and seconded by Councillor Vagg, the cheque list was approved. Councillors Walters and Vagg will sign the cheques Tuesday 25th June 2019.

0597 TOWN HALL REGENERATION RECOMMENDATIONS

On a proposal from Councillor Old and seconded by Councillor Galitzine, Council unanimously agreed to adopt the four recommendations from the Town Hall Regeneration Meeting held on 10th June 2019.

0598 UNCLE TOMS CABIN

Council are unable to give a grant towards the refurbishment of the thatched roof at Uncle Toms Cabin, however, District Councillor Winder offered his support in helping the owner seek suitable funding towards thatched roof.

0599 CORRESPONDENCE AND CLERKS REPORT

Item	Action
Somerset County Council – Consultation on possible introduction of Parking Restrictions.	Response to be received by Monday 15 th July 2019. Discuss as an agenda item on Monday 8 th July 2019
Email: Suggestion for Whats On in Wincanton sign next to Morrisons/Lidl	Discuss as an Agenda Item at next meeting
Email: Dog Faeces – Request for a Dog Bin to be placed in Balsam Lane	Discuss as an Agenda Item at next meeting
South Somerset District Council – Naming of Streets off Dykes Way	Proposed names are Lancelot Drive, Galahad Street and Merlin Grove

0600 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION FOR THE NEXT AGENDA

Consultation on possible introduction of Parking Restrictions – Agenda item for 8th July 2019
 Signage at entrance to Town
 Request for Dog Bin
 General Litter

The meeting ended at 8pm

Signed

Dated: 8th July 2019